My name is Eva Schultz and I am a teacher in New Haven. I am writing today to show my support of fully funding education by expediting the ECS phase to coincide with the federal dollars running out. I have experienced firsthand the impact a lack of funding can have on students in high needs districts.

My school has experienced lack of funding by being short staffed and having large class sizes. We also don't always have the materials that we need to give students the best educational experience.

Fully funded education would allow my students to gain access to more fair and equitable education. They would have the resources that other, more affluent districts have and be able to get the help they need on a more individual level.

Funding inequities across Connecticut are putting our most vulnerable students at risk, and the state needs to do everything in its power to put an end to these inequities. That is why I am urging our state leaders to fully fund education throughout Connecticut.

We cannot afford to wait any longer.

Thank you for your time, Eva Schultz